(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Electronic Software Parks in the States

† 3712. SHRI BALKAVI BAIRAGI:
SHRI SURESH PACHOURI:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether any scheme is being implemented by Government with a view to set up the electronic software park in various States of the country;

(b) if so, the States alongwith the places for which Government have given assistance for such electronic software park;

(c) whether any scheme for setting up of electronic software parks in Madhya Pradesh has been approved by Government or is under consideration; and

(d) whether Government would approve any special scheme for setting up of electronic software parks in Madhya Pradesh keeping in view its backwardness?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN): (a) and (b) Software Technology Parks of India (STPI) a registered society of the Ministry of Information Technology has set up Software Technology Parks in the following States:

Sl. No.	State	Location
1.	Andhra Pradesh	Hyderabad, Vizag
2.	Assam	Guwahati
3.	Gujarat	Gandhinagar

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SI. No	State	Location
4.	Jammu & Kashmir	Srinagar
5.	Karnataka	Bangalore, Manlpal and Mysore
6.	Kerala	Thiruvanathapuram
7.	Maharashtra	Pune and Mumbai
8.	Madhya Pradesh	Indore
9.	Orissa	Bhubaneshwar
10.	Punjab	Mohali
11.	Rajasthan	Jaipur
12.	Tamil Nadu	Chennai and Coimbatore
13.	Uttar Pradesh	Noida

(c) and (d) Government of India has already set up a Software Technology Park at Indore in the State of Madhya Pradesh for promotion of Software Industry including providing High Speed Data Communication facilities through STPI international gateway.

Internet services for promotion of IT

† 3713. SHRI BALKAVI BAIRAGI: Will the Minister of INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's policy is to promote internet services with a view to promote Information Technology;

(b) if so, whether Government are considering to sanction the proposal submitted by the Madhya Pradesh Government for connecting Bhopal and Indore to international gate-way-hub; and

(c) if so, by when the sanction would be accorded?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) There is no application on this subject with Government of India form Madhya Pradesh Government.

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